COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Policy Manual

426 Reporting Law Enforcement Activity Outside of the Jurisdiction

426.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides general guidelines for reporting law enforcement activity, while on- or off-duty, that is occurring outside the jurisdiction of the Columbia Police Department.

426.1.1 ASSISTANCE TO AGENCIES OUTSIDE THE CITY

When an officer is on-duty and is requested by an outside agency to participate in law enforcement activity in another jurisdiction, he/she shall obtain prior approval from the immediate supervisor or the Watch Commander and shall respond to the request as outlined in the Mutual Aid and Outside Agency Assistance Policy. If the request is of an emergency nature, the officer shall notify Public Safety Joint Communications before responding and thereafter notify a supervisor as soon as practicable.

426.1.2 LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY OUTSIDE THE CITY

Any on-duty officer who engages in self-initiated law enforcement activities of any type outside the immediate jurisdiction of the Columbia Police Department that are not part of a mutual aid request shall notify his/her supervisor or the Watch Commander as soon as practicable. Any off-duty officer who engages in any law enforcement activities, regardless of jurisdiction, shall notify the Watch Commander as soon as reasonably practicable.

The supervisor shall determine if a case report or other documentation of the officer's activity is required. The report or other documentation shall be forwarded to the officer's Bureau Commander.